

Hanukkah 5776 at PAS

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A Trip to Remember

RABBI ELLIOT J. COSGROVE

Chaired by Ilene Penn and Vicki Warner, under the direction of Rabbi Savenor, and fully subscribed at 80 congregants, the PAS mission to Poland and Germany was perhaps the most profound Jewish educational experience of my life.

The thematic content of the trip could be divided into prewar European Jewry, the destruction of European Jewry, and finally, the seeds of rebirth in post-war European Jewry.

Prewar: While Israel may be our birthright and historic homeland, the Judaism we practice – our laws, our literature, our music – is rooted in Eastern and Western European Jewry. To visit the synagogue and grave of Rabbi Moses Isserles, the great codifier of Jewish law in 16th century Krakow, was akin to visiting Independence Hall in Philadelphia. We visited the brand new Museum of the History of Polish Jewry, where we studied the nearly 1000-year presence of a Jewish community in Poland. Hasidism, the Reform movement, klezmer and cantorial music – so much of who we are as Jews – is anchored in the communities we visited.

The Shoah: To walk under the gates of Auschwitz, to see the gallows, gas chambers, and crematoria, to see the piles of discarded suitcases and human hair provoked a visceral

physical reaction like none I have ever experienced. How in the world, we wondered, could human beings become so desensitized, so devoid of empathy, so capable of absolute evil as the Nazi death machine? To stand where the selections took place, to walk on the very path that so many took to the crematoria, to see the inhuman conditions in which so many lived and were ultimately murdered, the memorial service we shared – these things I will never forget. These places must be seen by us all.

To the great credit of Rabbi Savenor and the chairs, the scope of our study extended beyond the horror of the crematoria. The camps we visited were in Poland, but they existed because of the Nazi regime. We debated: Were the Poles accomplices, victims, or bystanders? When we visited Mila 18 and the sculpture of Janusz Korczak and the sculpture in memory of the Warsaw uprising, we wondered whether our focus should be on the *Shoah* or on the *Gevurah*, on the destruction or on the spiritual and physical heroism and resistance of those facing certain death. As with any story, what we choose to emphasize says as much about us today as about what actually transpired in the past.

Post-war Europe: not a simple story. If it were not enough that Jewish life in Poland was functionally wiped out

by the Shoah, until 1989 and the fall of the Berlin Wall, the odds of any outward expressions of Jewish vitality were slim to none. We heard multiple stories of Poles now discovering a Jewish past kept hidden out of fear of the Nazi regime and then of the Communist era. In Berlin, the story of post-'89 rebirth is fascinating, a combination of reclaimed identities, post-Soviet émigrés, ex-pat Israelis, and others. We celebrated Shabbat in the historic Oranienburger Strasse synagogue, where we had the pleasure of seeing a young German girl celebrate her Bat Mitzvah – no differently than we do here at Park Avenue Synagogue. Small but scrappy, the Jewish communities we visited are making a go of it and deserve our support in both word and deed.

Prewar European Jewry, the slaughter of that Jewry, and the post-war narrative – it is far more than can be fit into any one trip and certainly any Bulletin article. I thank the trip participants for the journey together, and I look forward to the day soon when we will offer another such trip and once more learn of our past, engage with the unspeakable, and bear witness to the seeds of renewal that is European Jewry.

For more of the rabbi's reflections, visit pasyn.org/sermons and select "These Things I Will Never Forget."

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Cantors Concert: Voices for Peace

Thursday | December 3 | 7:00 pm

Featuring Guest Artist Samir Shukry

Join us for an evening of music to express our deepest feelings of caring and hope for all those who yearn for peace in both the Jewish and Arab communities of Israel. Guest artist Samir Shukry will join Cantor Azi Schwartz, Cantor Shira Lissek, Rachel Brook, and the PAS vocal and instrumental ensembles. Reception following the performance. Tickets: \$18/members; \$36/nonmembers. Reserve at pasyn.org.



Born in Akko (Acre) to a musical family, **SAMIR SHUKRY** became a phenomenon in Israel in 1987, when he recorded his huge hit "Rona," still one of his most popular songs. Samir's unique blend of Arabic/Oriental style with Western music has become his musical insignia. Playing a white electric violin which he feels has become a symbol for peace

and brotherhood like the white dove, he performs in Morocco, Tunisia, Romania, Turkey, Belgium, and Africa as well as in the US and Israel. He is popular in both Arabic and Jewish communities and builds bridges between nationalities.

Journalism in a Land of Few Facts

Jodi Rudoren, Jerusalem Bureau Chief of the New York Times

Saturday | December 5

9:00 am | Briefing on Current Events during TGIS Window on Israel

12:30-1:30 pm | "Journalism in a Land of Few Facts" followed by dialogue and Q&A



JODI RUDOREN became Jerusalem bureau chief of *The New York Times* in May 2012, after 14 years as a reporter and editor at the paper. She previously served as the paper's education editor, deputy metropolitan editor and Chicago bureau chief. In November 2012, Jodi was included in the "Forward 50," a list of the world's 50 most influential Jews.

Jodi covered the 2004 presidential campaign and has written extensively about the Columbine shootings, the debate over intelligent design, charter schools, vouchers and affirmative action. While working in Metro, Jodi was an executive producer on the multimedia series "One in 8 Million," which won *nytimes.com*'s first Emmy Award.

Shabbat Dinner Series

Let There Be Water: Israel's Solution for a Water-Starved World

Seth M. Siegel

Friday | December 11

6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30 pm | Dinner and Lecture

Please register at pasyn.org by the Monday before the dinner. Space is limited.

Cost: \$45/members; \$65/general.



SETH M. SIEGEL is a businessman, activist and writer. His essays on business, political and cultural issues have appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, the *Los Angeles Times* and other publications around the world. Siegel has often appeared on television and has been widely quoted in major print media. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. His new book is *Let There Be Water: Israel's Solution for a Water-Starved World*.

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to find Hanukkah celebrations for everyone.

Rekindle Your Engagement

NATALIE W. BARTH, OFFICER, YOUTH ED.

We often hear from members that they do not know where to start on their own Jewish journey. For many of us, our last formal Jewish learning was preparation for our Bnei Mitzvah. Yet as adults, we want to re-embrace our Judaism for ourselves and so that we can be role models for our children and grandchildren.

We are blessed with a strong team of clergy and educators who are continually developing and improving our worship, programs, schools, and adult classes. They know that one size does not fit all and they strive to meet our members wherever they are on their Jewish journey. They are prepared to meet us; are we willing to take small steps forward to meet them?

This month, we celebrate Hanukkah, commemorating the rededication of the Temple by the Maccabees. Perhaps now is the time to ask: What can we do to rededicate ourselves and our families to our own Jewish journeys?

Here are a few ideas to get you started:

- If you have young children, consider attending one of our monthly Kabbalat Shabbat Services and Dinners or Friday morning Shirat Shabbat sessions, all geared to this age group.
- If you have children in our Congregational School, set aside the time to join in the Family Shabbat Experiences for your child's grade and consider attending the spring Family Shabbat Retreat. On the weeks when you are dropping off your children for their Shabbat Experiences, swing by the sanctuary to participate in services and hear the rabbi's sermon.

- If your children attend Jewish Day School, build community by attending the Day School Shabbat Dinner on December 4 and save February 6 for the first-ever Day School Havdalah at the Cosgroves!
- If you have teenagers, encourage them to volunteer for our teen-led Food Pantry on Wednesday or Friday afternoons, to take a mini-course, and to join the Teen Rock Band or A Capella Group. Come to Rabbi Cosgrove's for the popular monthly Saturday afternoon teen/parent study sessions – the next ones are December 12 and January 9.
- If you have college students, are they on the College Connections list to receive holiday packages from PAS and invites to events for their age group? Don't miss the college Shabbat Dinner on December 18!
- If you are in your 20s or 30s, join fellow young adults to discuss big ideas at monthly "Brainthirsty" sessions with Rabbi Witkovsky. If you are the parent of a young adult, please send their contact info to Rabbi Witkovsky so that he can take them out for coffee.
- If you want to try something just for you, sign up for a class or lecture to rejuvenate your own Jewish learning, try out our re-imagined Friday night services, and don't miss the annual Shabbaton in January. Not sure where to get started? Meet with one of our clergy or educators to figure out what is the right next step for you.

Everyone's path will be different, but we hope that you will take the opportunity during this month of Hanukkah to rekindle an old flame or light a new Jewish spark for yourself and your family.

Weekday minyan: *Shaharit* Monday–Friday at 7:15 am; Sundays and December 25 at 9:00 am. *Ma'ariv* Sunday–Thursday at 5:45 pm.
From December 7-13, shaharit will include Hallel and Torah reading in celebration of Hanukkah. On weekday evenings of Hanukkah, there will be candle lighting in the lobby immediately after minyan. Shabbat mincha 20 minutes after the end of morning services. For the schedule of Congregational School Shabbat Experiences, see p. 12.



Friday, December 4 • 22 Kislev

5:00 pm | YFE Kabbalat Shabbat (see p. 11)
 6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat
 7:30 pm | Day School Community Shabbat Dinner

Saturday, December 5 • 23 Kislev

Parashat Va-yeishev

TGIS: Thank God It's Shabbat! ←

9:00–9:50 am | **Activities for all ages**, including Traditional *Shaharit*, *Parashah* Study, PAS Youth Choir, *Dabeir Ivrit*, Torah Spiel, and Chess Club. Window on Israel will feature *New York Times* Jerusalem bureau chief Jodi Rudoren with “A Briefing on Current Events.” (See pasyn.org for a full list of activities.)

10:00 am–12:15 pm | **Community Shabbat Worship**
 Bat Mitzvah of Rebecca Rosenzweig

11:15 am | Tot TGIS
 20 minutes after services | Mincha

Friday, December 11 • 29 Kislev

6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, December 12 • 30 Kislev

Parashat Mi-ketz/Rosh Hodesh/Shabbat Hanukkah

9:15 am | Sanctuary service with Hallel
 Bar Mitzvah of Peter Edelstein

10:00 am | CS Shabbat Experience (Grades 3-6)
 11:00 am | CS Family Shabbat Experience (Grades K-2)

11:15 am | Tot Tefillah (see p. 11)
 20 minutes after services | Mincha

4:30 pm | **Hazzan's Tisch for Hanukkah**

Savor the last part of Shabbat at Cantor Azi Schwartz's home. Schmooze, snack, sing, say *Ma'ariv* (the evening service) and end with Havdalah and then lighting candles for the 7th night of Hanukkah.

Please visit pasyn.org to RSVP or call 212-369-2600, x115.

Sunday, December 13 • 1 Tevet

Rosh Hodesh & Hanukkah

9:00 am | Minyan with Hallel, Torah reading and Musaf
 Bar Mitzvah of Jason Wurzel

Friday, December 18 • 6 Tevet

6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat
 7:30 pm | College Connections Shabbat Dinner (see p.15)

Saturday, December 19 • 7 Tevet

Parashat Va-yiggash

9:15 am | Sanctuary service
 Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Roizen

9:30 am | Havurah
 The Havurah is a lay-led, child-friendly service for individuals and families of all ages who want an intimate and informal prayer experience. We invite people of all skill levels to participate by leading part of the service, reading Torah or Haftarah or by facilitating a Torah discussion.
 20 minutes after services | Mincha

Friday, December 25 • 13 Tevet

6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, December 26 • 14 Tevet

Parashat Va-y'hi

9:15 am | Sanctuary service
 20 minutes after services | Mincha

PAS clergy will preach and conduct services, with Calin Fowler at the organ; the Synagogue Choir: Ena Freeman, Yanah Gershator, Alex Guerrero, and Tim Krol; and the Synagogue Band: Gil Smuskawitz, bass; Mike Cohen, clarinet; and Ronen Itzik, percussion. Abe Lebovic is our regular Torah Reader, and Mark Fraier is our Ritual Director.

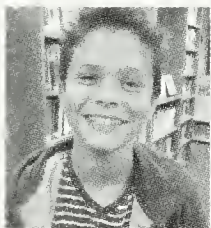
Can't make it to the synagogue? Park Avenue Synagogue sanctuary services are live streamed. Visit pasyn.org/webcast.

Synagogue Family

בני מצוה BNEI MITZVAH



Rebecca Kate Rosenzweig
December 5 | *Vayeishev*
Daughter of Suzanne & Jonathan Rosenzweig



Peter Edelstein
December 12 | *Mi-ketz*
Son of Susan & David Edelstein



Jason Wurzel
December 13 | *Hanukkah, Rosh Hodesh Tevet*
Son of Jody & Howard Wurzel



Joshua Roizen
December 19 | *Va-yiggash*
Son of Camille Bidermann Roizen & Jacques Roizen

מזל טוב MAZAL TOV

Felicia & Scott Schaen on the birth of a daughter, Marley Bree Schaen, and to big brother Ian

Gita Kaufman on receiving (together with her husband Curt, z"l) the 2015 Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award from the Jewish Faculty & Staff Association of New York City College of Technology

Steven Mandel on being elected president of the New York Occupational and Environmental Medical Association

Danielle & Dani Farber on the birth of a daughter, Sydney Eden Farber, and to big brothers Brody and Dylan

Suzanne & James Klein on the birth of a daughter, Gemma Sydney Klein

Jessica & Joseph Ainsberg on the birth of a daughter, Rebecca Elizabeth Ainsberg, and to grandfather **Arthur Ainsberg**

Joann Abrams Rosoff on being honored by Hadassah New York and the Sharon Chapter

ברוכים הבאים WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Stacey & Matthew Bronfman
Patricia Gantz
Lindsey & Joshua Green
Joanna & Michael Hoffenberg
Mimi Kazon
Bennett Leichman
Dana & Seth Reisman
Brett & Kenneth Rosenberg
Bridget Adams-Davis & Benjamin Sabari
Dorothy & Andrew Tananbaum

המקום ינחם CONDOLENCES

Patricia Weis, Jennifer Weis Monsky & John Monsky,
and Colleen Weis Laiks & Martin Laiks on the loss of their
husband and father, Robert F. Weis

Tara Usdan, Andrea & Adam Usdan, Eva & John Usdan,
and Esme Usdan & Jim Snyder on the loss of their
husband and father, Nathaniel "Duke" Usdan

Marcia & David Sudolsky on the loss of his mother,
Beatrice Ringel

Caring Network

Supporting congregants and their families during times of transition, the Caring Network offers solace during times of illness, suffering, loss, and grief, and also reaches out to families during times of joy. If you or someone you know needs assistance from the Caring Network, or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Rabbi Neil Zuckerman at nzuckerman@pasyn.org or 212-369-2600, x124.

A service of The Jewish Board

Social Work Support for PAS Members and Their Families

Tuesdays | By appointment | Shira Felberbaum, LMSW

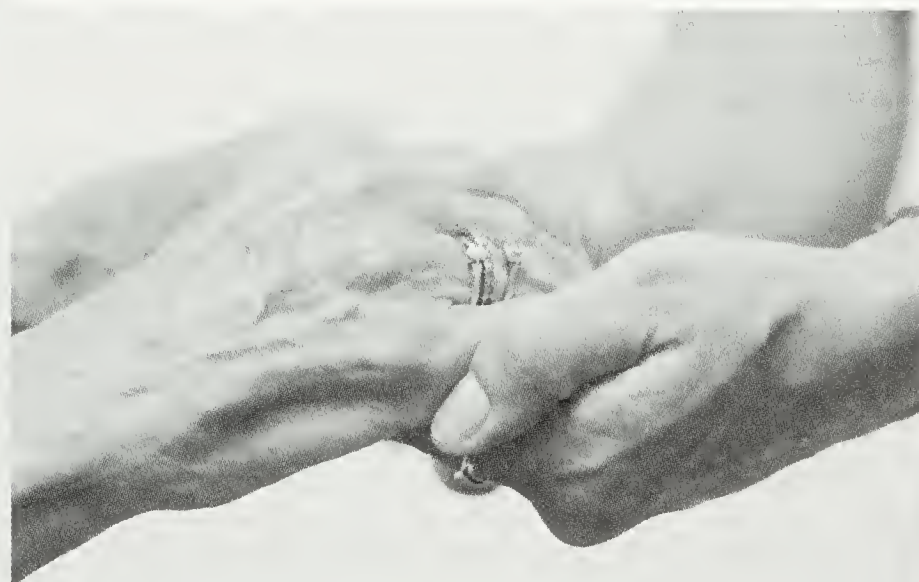
For more information or to make an appointment, contact Shira Felberbaum at sfelberbaum@jbfcs.org or 212-632-4735, or contact Rabbi Zuckerman.

A service of DOROT

Social Work Support for PAS Seniors, Families and Their Caregivers

By appointment | Yael Kornfeld, LMSW

For more information or to make an appointment, contact Yael Kornfeld at ykornfeld@dorotusa.org or 212-769-2850, or contact Rabbi Zuckerman.



Weekly Classes

For additional information about classes listed here, please look in the Fall Program Catalog or on www.pasyn.org.

To register for Adult Education classes, unless otherwise noted in the description, go to pasyn.org and click on "Adult Education." On the left side of the page, click on "Classes" and then on the appropriate registration link. Those without Internet access may call Beth Levick at 212-369-2600, x146.

MONDAY

Siddur Hebrew 2

Dec 7, 14, 21 | 6:30 pm | Marga Hirsch

Shulhan Ivrit

Dec 14 | 7:00 pm | Varda Hubara

TUESDAY

Essential Essays

Dec 1, 8, 15 | approx. 8:00 am, immediately after minyan | Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

Contemporary Jewish Thought

Dec 1, 8, 15 | 11:30 am | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

Adult Bat Mitzvah

Dec 1, 15 | 6:30 pm | Cantor Shira Lissek and Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

The Edmond de Rothschild Library
pasyn.org/rothschildlibrary
Director: Marga Hirsch

Library Hours | Monday, 12:00–6:00 pm; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 12:00–6:30 pm, Friday by appointment | Marga is in at other times as well; you are always welcome.

Browse the library's online catalog, and stop by to check out books, DVDs, and CDs. The collection is organized in the Elazar system, designed especially for Jewish libraries. The labels look like Dewey Decimal numbers, but the books are organized according to Jewish categories.

The library is closed during classes:

Mondays, 6:30–9:00 pm;

Wednesdays, 6:45–9:00 pm;

Thursdays, Dec 3 and 17, 9:15–10:30 am.

WEDNESDAY



Denominations: Addressing the Challenges of Modernity

Dec 2, 9, 16 | 6:30 pm | Rabbi David Kalb

Shemot I: From Slavery to Sinai

Dec 2, 9, 16 | 6:30 pm | Rabbi Shmuel Afek

The Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning: Year 1

Dec 2, 9, 16 | 6:45 pm | Rabbi Shmuel Afek and Rabbi Charlie Savenor

Jewish Choices for Jewish Children

Dec 9 | 7:00 pm | Debbie Cosgrove

Sponsored by the Rabbinical Assembly

Exploring Judaism

Dec 2, 9, 16 | 7:00 pm | Ansche Chesed | Rabbi Joel Shaiman

THURSDAY

The Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning: Year 2

Dec 3, 10, 17 | 9:15 am | Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky and Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

Beyond Borders: The History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict

Dec 3, 10, 17 | 9:15 am | Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

Denominations: Addressing the Challenges of Modernity

Dec 3, 10, 17 | 9:15 am | Rabbi David Kalb

Foundations of Jewish Family Living

Dec 3, 17 | 9:20 am | Debbie Cosgrove

Library Lunch & Learn

12:00 pm

Dec 3 | Joshua Jacobs

Dec 10 | Insights from Israel with Rabbi Michael Graetz (by Skype from Israel)

Dec 17 | Jennifer Stern Granowitz

Dec 24, 31 | No session

Sponsored by the Rabbinical Assembly

Exploring Judaism

7:00 pm | Dec 3, 10, 17 | Ansche Chesed | Rabbi William Plevan

FRIDAY

Daf HaShavua: Weekly Talmud Study

Dec 4, 11, 18 | approx. 8:00 am, immediately after minyan | Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky

Women in the Bible

Friday | Dec 18 | 9:15 am | Debbie Cosgrove

SATURDAY/SHABBAT

Parashat HaShavua | no class on Dec 5 (TGIS) | 8:45 am

This Month at PAS



PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE

Tikkun Olam

As you prepare for Hanukkah and outfit your family for winter, please donate books and coats that you no longer need. There will be collection bins in the lobby. PAS is unable to accept items before or after the dates of the drives.

New York Cares Coat Drive Through Friday | Dec 4

Collecting gently-used, freshly cleaned adult coats that have been put through a heated dryer.

Coalition for the Homeless Holiday Toy Drive

Tuesday, Dec 1 – Friday, Dec 11

Another way to celebrate Hanukkah: select new toys to give to homeless children. Coalition for the Homeless is the nation's oldest advocacy and direct service organization helping homeless men, women, and children.

The PAS Conversation/Master Class

Breakthrough: Jewish Books that Changed the Consciousness of America

Tuesday | Dec 1 | 7:00 pm | Dr. Wendy Zierler

Midtown Lunch & Learn

Who Wrote the Bible?

Wednesday | Dec 2 | 12:30 pm | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

Cosponsored by Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun and The Jewish Board's Partners in Caring and Shira Ruskey Center

Lights in the Darkness: A Hanukkah Program for Bereaved Jews

Wednesday | Dec 2 | 6:30 pm

Day School Community Shabbat Dinner

Friday | Dec 4 | 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat, Dinner immediately following

Sponsored by the Rothschild Library

Evening Book Discussion Group

Monday | Dec 7 | 8:00 pm
The Best Place on Earth by Ayelet Tsabari

Yiddish Club Hanukkah Party

Tuesday | Dec 8 | 1:00 pm
Celebrate Hanukkah with tasty treats, lively music, *mameloshen*, and friends. Cantor Gladys R. Gruenwald will entertain with Yiddish and Hebrew songs.

Women's Network

Cooking in Kehillah: The Latke Story

Thursday | Dec 10 | 6:45 pm

Young Couples Group

Annual Latke/Vodka Hanukkah Party

Thursday | Dec 10 | 7:30 pm

RSVP to receive location.

Co-sponsored by Women's Network and the Rothschild Library

Daytime Book Discussion Group

Monday | Dec 14 | 11:00 am
People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks

JTS@PAS Home Study

What's So Heroic About Our Biblical Hero(in)es?

Dr. Alan Cooper
Tuesday | December 15 | 7:00 pm

In traditional Jewish interpretation, the patriarchs and matriarchs are usually portrayed as ideal role models. Modern commentators tend to see them as more rounded and flawed characters. How can one reconcile the representation of the ancestors as ideal types with the apparent moral realism of the stories themselves? What value do the stories and their characters retain as exemplars or guides for modern Jews? To RSVP visit pasyn.org/calendar and click on the event.

ALAN COOPER is the Elaine Ravich Professor of Jewish Studies and provost of JTS. He joined the faculty in 1997 as a professor of Bible, and has served as director of publications and chair of the Bible faculty. In 1998, he was appointed professor of Bible at the Union Theological Seminary, a nondenominational Christian seminary, becoming the first person to hold concurrent professorships at JTS and Union.

Open Only to Members of Men's Club

Torah on Tap

Thursday | Dec 17 | 7:30 pm

RSVP to receive location.

Gallery



The Sound of Justice at Park Avenue Synagogue Through January

Experience the words of Rabbi Judah Nadich and prominent guest speakers who addressed Park Avenue Synagogue with messages of commitment to social justice. This exhibition highlights excerpts from the Rita and George M. Shapiro Audio Archive with illustrations from the PAS Archive, JTS, and other sources. These speeches, documents, and photographs demonstrate how our Jewish community responded to the civil rights movement and to the momentous events it set in motion, up to the present. As we recall the Maccabees, who rallied to the cry of "Whoever is for the Lord, follow me," let the words and deeds of the leaders who have inspired us in the past reinvigorate our dedication to make the world a better place for ourselves, our community, and our country. To hear audio excerpts from the exhibition, visit pasyn.org, click on Gallery, and then on the selections.

FROM THE RITA AND GEORGE M. SHAPIRO AUDIO ARCHIVE

Hanukkah Music

PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE

Forty-Fourth Annual Friday Evening
Liturgical Music Service

"Sacred Sounds of the Synagogue: Music of the German Jews"

featuring music composed by

Louis Lewandowski (1821-1894)

Eduard Birnbaum (1855-1920)

Emanuel Kirschner (1857-1938)

SUZANNE AISENBERG, CHAIR, ARCHIVE COMMITTEE

Liturgical music has been a hallmark of Park Avenue Synagogue for generations. A significant portion of the Rita and George M. Shapiro Audio Archive is devoted to contemporary composers as well as to the preservation of classical melodies. On December 18, 1987, Shabbat Hanukkah, the 44th Annual Friday Evening Liturgical Music Service, titled "Sacred Sounds of the Synagogue: Music of the German Jews," featured the works of 19th- and early 20th-century composers: Louis Lewandowski, Eduard Birnbaum, Emanuel Kirschner, and Abraham Sukoenig, who was *hazzan* of Park Avenue Synagogue from 1914 to 1932. As noted in the program, "throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, German Jewry developed a highly sophisticated and richly diverse sacred music which incorporated many local traditions and styles. Virtually the entire genre and tradition of synagogue music had its modern historical origins in the German-speaking areas of the Rhineland, beginning with the Jewish settlement established there during the Middle Ages."

Neil W. Levin of the Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary wrote in the program, "This commemorative Shabbat service increases our awareness of the depth and diversity of Jewish music by reconstructing some of the fading culture that was German Jewry at its zenith. More importantly, it helps to fulfill our sacred obligation to remember the magnificent liturgical sounds that once flourished in the synagogues throughout an entire land."

Audio selections from this liturgical music service are available during December on the Shapiro Audio Archive page of the synagogue website, pasyn.org. We hope you enjoy this melodic piece of PAS history. Please contact shapiroarchive@pasyn.org with your comments.

Youth Education & Events

For additional information about all youth events, please look in the Fall Program Catalog or on pasyn.org.

Young Family Education

For latest information and to be informed of new events, sign up to receive Young Family Education email. Visit pasyn.org and click on Email Sign up.

To RSVP for any YFE program, go to pasyn.org and click on Young Family Education. Under Upcoming Events on the right side, click on the event name to access information and registration forms. For dinners, cancellations with refund (or credit towards another dinner) are possible until the Wednesday before the dinner.

For more information, contact Molko Lowenstein, Director of YFE, at mloenstein@pasyn.org or x140.

SHABBAT & HOLIDAY WORSHIP & PROGRAMS

Kabbalat Shabbat and Dinner for Families with Young Children

Fri | Dec 4 | Service 5:00 pm, Dinner 5:30–6:30 pm

Children with December birthdays will receive a birthday blessing and a small gift.

Cost: \$45/members; \$50/general; \$20/children

Tot Tefillah: YFE Shabbat Service

Saturday | Dec 5 | 11:15 am | Tot TGIS

Saturday | Dec 12 | 11:15 am | Tot Tefillah for Shabbat Hanukkah

YFE Hanukkah Concert & Candle Lighting

Sunday | Dec 6 | 3:00 pm

Hanukkah, oh Hanukkah, let's have a party! Celebrate the first night of Hanukkah together with PAS friends. Create Hanukkah artwork, eat latkes and sufganiyot, play a grand game of dreidel and sing along to a Shira & Friends Hanukkah Concert. We will end the afternoon with community candle lighting.

Avoda Arts: Creating Shabbat

Friday | Dec 11 | 12:00–1:00 pm | For children ages 3–6 with a parent or grandparent

With the arts as a gateway, expand the dimensions of your Jewish experience and discover new ways to celebrate Shabbat at home.

Sponsored by the Rothschild Library

Kids' Shabbat Book Basket

On Shabbat, look for the book basket near the ushers in the Sanctuary. There are Jewish books for children of all ages to look at while sitting quietly in their seats. Let your children enjoy the books during services and return them so that others may read them next week.

PASECC

Teaching Young Children About Giving



FROM PAMELA B. SCHWARTZ, DIRECTOR

Mention Hanukkah to any child in the ECC, and that child will visualize a pile of presents to unwrap. As educators, we are happy to see children to enjoy receiving. At the same time, Hanukkah provides an opportunity to teach children about giving.

This month we will introduce *tzedakah* in all of our classrooms and will have a communal space where all of our families can contribute *tzedakah*. We will talk with the children, in a developmentally appropriate manner, about this type of giving, and we will determine where this money will go as a community.

At the same time, we will be sure to discuss that giving money is only one way we help others. We will teach our students that by giving their time, their knowledge, and even their beautiful smiles, they can change people's lives.

In addition to what we will teach the children, Juliet Cooper, a psychologist who specializes in parenting, will come to speak to our parents about teaching young children about giving.

NEW

Sponsored by the Brukhim Haba'im Committee and Young Family Education

PAS Baby Brigade: Moms Get-Together

Friday | Dec 4 | 11:00 am–12:30 pm

Everyone who's had a baby in 2015 – first-time moms and veterans – is invited for baby-friendly music and mom-friendly food and schmoozing. Come for the whole time or for any part of it and meet others looking for new friends with babies the same age and a reason to get out of the apartment.



Congregational School

For up-to-date information about the school's schedule, please rely on the school's mailings and weekly school newsletter.

From the Director



JENNIFER STERN GRANOWITZ

This past month we had many wonderful opportunities to come together as a community—from Mitzvah Day to our first Bnei Mitzvah Family Learning session of the year. As we move into December, I look forward to celebrating Hanukkah with you at dismissal as we light the PAS Hanukkiah every evening after Congregational School.

In addition to coming together and learning at PAS, I hope you have been following our blog and engaging with Jewish learning at home. As your family begins to wind down for the semester and gear up for some time off from school, think of ways to take your Judaism with you during Winter Break. If you are going away, consider visiting a synagogue on your travels. If you are staying in NYC, think about visiting The Jewish Museum as a family. Take a picture (or a selfie!) of your family having a Jewish experience over winter break and email it to me at jgranowitz@pasyn.org. We would love to post your photos on the CS blog!

Congregational School Schedule

Saturday | Dec 5

Shabbat Experience Programs

10:00 am–12:00 pm | Gimel, Dalet, Hey, & Vav (3-6) Learners | PAS

Monday–Thursday | Dec 7–10

6:00 pm | Hanukkah Candle Lighting in Lobby



Saturday | Dec 12 | Shabbat Hanukkah

Shabbat Experience Programs

10:00 am–12:00 pm | Gimel, Dalet, Hey, & Vav Learners (Grades 3–6) | PAS

11:00 am–12:00 pm | Gan, Alef and Bet (K–2) Family Shabbat Experience | Liederkrantz*

Saturday, Dec 19–Saturday, Jan 2

Winter Vacation | No Congregational School classes or Shabbat Experience Programs

*6 East 87th Street between Madison & Fifth Avenues.

PAS Youth Choir

REHEARSALS

Shabbat/Saturday | Dec 5 | TGIS | 9:15–9:55 am

Shabbat/Saturday | Dec 12 | 9:30–9:55 am

PERFORMANCE

Shabbat/Saturday | Dec 5 | TGIS | 10:00 am

Open to children age 6 and up, the Youth Choir learns music and performs with our cantors at Shabbat and holiday services. *For more information, please contact Cantor Shira Lissek at slissek@pasyn.org.*

Camping your passion

It's now possible to spend a week or a summer focusing on a specific interest at a Jewish camp. From organic farming to surfing, science to mountain trekking, there are Jewish camps that cater to a range of passions. Here are some of them:

Big Idea

At this Israeli tech camp, located on Mount Carmel near Caesarea, kids from all over the world study computers, gaming, robotics, design, music, or photography, plus sports like surfing and stand-up paddleboarding.

Eden Village Camp

On a kosher organic farm in Putnam Valley, NY, campers grow their own food and experience nature.

Ramah Outdoor Adventure

This Colorado Rockies wilderness experience features hiking, camping, and mountain survival on a remote ranch.

Sababa Surf Camp

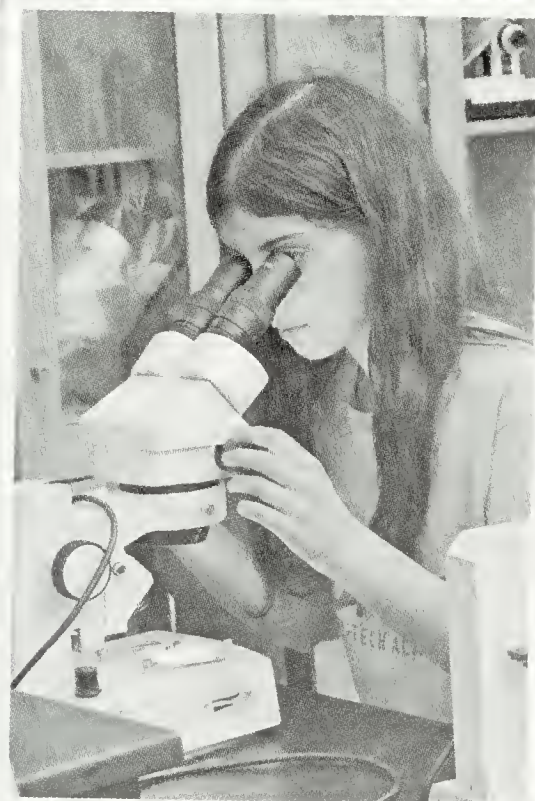
This weeklong surfing camp for teens on a Rockaway beach offers daily buses from Manhattan.

URJ 6 Points Sci-Tech Academy

At this camp in Byfield, MA, kids in 5th through 10th grade choose from intensive study areas like computer programming, robotics, video game design, and forensics.

The PAS Jewish Camping Committee stands ready to answer questions about Jewish camps and summer programs for your children and teens. Please contact co-chairs Chana Zimmerman and Vanessa Waye or Director of the Congregational School, Jennifer Stern Granawitz.

Your first-time camper may be eligible for a One Happy Camper grant of up to \$1000 from the Foundation for Jewish Camp! Before your child can qualify for a grant, s/he must first be enrolled at a participating overnight camp. To learn more and to find out if your child is eligible, visit jewishcamp.org/one-happy-camper.



Top: Big Idea; Middle: Ramah Outdoor Adventure;
Bottom: URJ 6 Points Sci-Tech Academy.

Youth Education & Events

For more information and to register, see the teen weekly email or contact Hallie Chandler, hchandler@pasyn.org or 212-369-2600, x147.

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Let's Learn

NEW

Rabbi Judah Nadich High School
Mini-course

Teen Lounge Redesign

Wednesday | Dec 2, 9, 16 | 6:00 pm

Calling teen architects, artists, and set designers! Join Ellen Alt and Hallie Chandler to learn about the importance of physical space and art in Judaism. Together, the class will redefine and redesign the teen space in room 408. Help design a mural and a multipurpose space to be created in the spring!

For 8th graders

Rosh Hodesh, It's a Girl Thing & Shevet Achim, Brotherhood

Monday | Dec 7 | 6:00 pm

Led by Hallie Chandler and Daniel Sternberg, these experiential education groups cultivate Jewish identity with fun communal experiences. The groups provide a safe space to be with one another while addressing topics such as leadership, self-esteem, friendship, competition, power and pleasure.

Hanukkah Party

Wednesday | Dec 9 | 6:30 pm

Get together with your PAS friends to celebrate the Festival of Lights. This party is for everyone in Grades 8-12. *RSVP to receive the address.*

Parent and Teen Shabbat Study with Rabbi Cosgrove

Saturday | Dec 12 | 4:00-5:00 pm

Post-Bnei Mitzvah learners and their parents are invited to meet at Rabbi Cosgrove's apartment for study, schmoozing, snacks and some Shabbat fun!

Let's Lead

Teen A Capella

Performance: Cantors Concert |
Thursday | Dec 3 | 7:00 pm

Rock Band

This group meets once a week to explore contemporary Jewish music and to play and sing together. *To learn more, including rehearsal dates and times, contact Eliana Light at elight@pasyn.org.*

Let's Do

PAS Food Pantry

PACKING

Wednesdays | Dec 2, 9, 16 | 4:00 pm

Mondays | Dec 21, 28 | 4:00 pm

DISTRIBUTION

Fridays | Dec 4, 11, 18 | 4:00 pm

Wednesdays | Dec 23, 30 | 4:00 pm

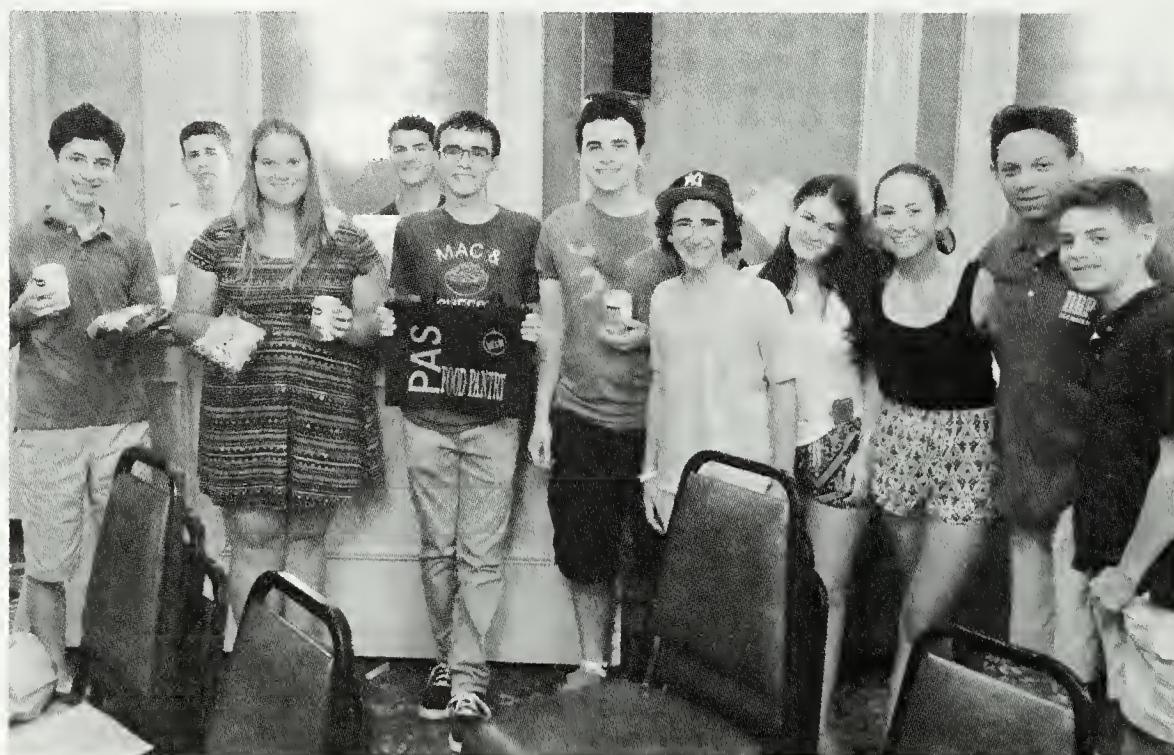
Contact co-directors Adam First, Matthew Goren, or Caroline Silver, or volunteer coordinator Davis Haupt on the PAS Food Pantry Facebook page for more information.

Let's Go

Cream, Crumbs, or Cocoa with Hallie

Anytime!

Hallie Chandler invites anyone in grades 7-12 for an ice cream, a cupcake, or a drink of choice. Please take her up on it! She is eager to meet PAS teens and pre-teens. If you would like to set up a time for yourself or volunteer a young person in your life to meet Hallie, please contact her at hchandler@pasyn.org. Her door is always open.





College Connections Shabbat Dinner

Friday | Dec 18 | approx. 7:30 pm, after Kabbalat Shabbat

College students are invited to catch up with old friends and start winter break with Shabbat at PAS. Meet in the lobby after services, and go together to Rabbi Witkovsky's home for food, fun, and good company. Please RSVP by Monday, December 14. Go to pasyn.org/calendar and click on the event.

College Connections: Help us keep in touch with your student on campus!

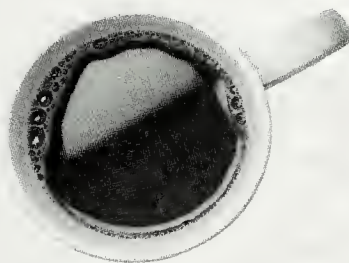
High School graduates remain part of the PAS family during their college years. They receive emails with synagogue news, updates, and insights from PAS clergy and educators, plus holiday packages several times a year. If you have not yet submitted your student's address for fall semester, update it on pasyn.org now.

PAS 20s and 30s

Join Shabbat dinner groups, small learning groups, events, and social action programs. Activities are open to all PAS 20s and 30s and their friends (synagogue membership not required). To see more activities, consult the synagogue website. *If you are interested in this new network, either for yourself or for a family member or friend, contact Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky, ewitkovsky@pasyn.org.*

Coffee with a Rabbi Anytime

Rabbi Witkovsky invites anyone out for a cup of coffee (or stronger beverage). If you would like to take him up on that, or if you would like to volunteer a 20- or 30-something in your life to have coffee, please contact the rabbi at ewitkovsky@pasyn.org.



Meals at the Mission

Sunday | Dec 6 | 5:30–7:00 pm

Begin the week of Hanukkah by dedicating time to help others. Serve a meal and a community. Head down to the Bowery Mission to help prepare and serve food.

Brainthirsty on Hanukkah

Monday | Dec 7 | 7:45–9:00 pm

Your brain is thirsty; fill it with thought and beverages. Come once a month for drinks and discussion as we bring Jewish and non-Jewish sources to bear on big questions. Each session will focus on a different theme or idea, so if you miss one, you can catch the next one, no problem. It's like Flywheel for your brain. Feel free to bring friends.

Shabbat Dinner Any Week or Every Week

Fridays | 7:30 pm

If you would like to host a Shabbat dinner with the help of PAS and the online hub OneTable, or if you are interested in attending a Shabbat dinners hosted by Rabbi Witkovsky, please contact him at ewitkovsky@pasyn.org.



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GET UP-TO-THE-MINUTE INFORMATION ABOUT PAS PROGRAMS, EVENTS & SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT WWW.PASYN.ORG/CALENDAR.

Kol Nidrei Appeal 5776



On behalf of the Officers, Board of Trustees, and Kol Nidrei Committee, we extend our sincerest gratitude to the members and friends listed below, who have already made a donation to Park Avenue Synagogue's 2015-2016 Kol Nidrei Appeal (list as of 10/21). As Rabbi Cosgrove stated in his sermon, "A House of Prayer for All People,"

In the years ahead, our community's mission must be one of radical welcoming. Whether or not we succeed, however, depends not only on a new mahzor, a bimah refurbishment, a policy from the board, a sermon from me. Our success depends on each of you.

Thank you for enabling us to depend on you! Your contribution allows Park Avenue Synagogue to thrive as an inclusive community at the forefront of Judaism.

In the spirit of Jewish tradition, we are seeking 100% participation in supporting the welfare of the entire congregation and beyond. If you have not yet confirmed your pledge this year, please consider an amount which is meaningful to you. Visit us at pasyn.org/KolNidrei to make an online donation or you may contact the office. Every gift counts. Thank you.

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ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם,
אשר קדשנו במצותיו,
וצונו להדליק נר של חנוכה.

*Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu
melekh ha-olam asher kidshannu
b'mitzvotav, v'tzivannu l'hadlik ner
shel hanukkah.*

Praised are You Adonai, our God who rules the universe, who made us holy by giving us mitzvot, and commanded us to light the Hanukkah lights.

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם,
שעשה נסים לאבותינו
בימים ההם ובזמן הזה.

*Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu
melekh ha-olam sheh asah nissim
la-avoteinu ba-yamim ha-hem
u-va-z'man ha-zeh.*

Praised are You Adonai, our God who rules the universe, who accomplished miracles for our ancestors in ancient days, and in our time.

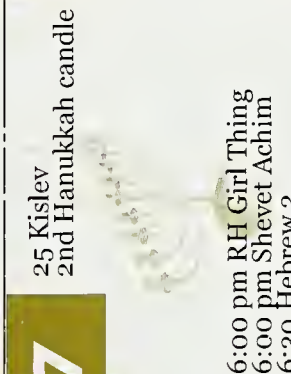
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שהחיינו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה.

*Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh
ha-olam, sheh-leh-heyanu, v'kiy'manu,
v'higiyanu la-z'man ha-zeh.*

Praised are You Adonai, our God who rules the universe, granting us life, sustaining us, and enabling us to reach this time of year.

December

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6 24 Kislev 1st Hanukkah candle  3:00 pm YFE Hanukkah Party 5:30 pm Meals at the Mission	7 25 Kislev 2nd Hanukkah candle  6:00 pm RH Girl Thing 6:00 pm Shevet Achim 6:30 Hebrew 2 7:45 pm Brainthirsty 8:00 pm Bk Discuss Grp	1 19 Kislev Adult Coat Drive (all week) Toy Drive (until Dec 11) 8:00 am Essential Essays 11:30 am Contemp J Thought 6:30 pm Adult Bat Mitzvah 7:00 pm Master Class	2 20 Kislev 12:30 pm Who Wrote Bible? 4:00 pm Food Pantry packing 6:00 pm Teen mini-course 6:30 pm Denominations 6:30 pm Shemot I 6:30 pm Lights in Darkness 6:45 pm Melton 1 7:00 pm Exploring Judaism	3 21 Kislev 9:15 am Melton 2 9:15 am Beyond Borders 9:15 am Denominations 9:20 am Foundations 12:00 pm Library L&L 7:00 pm Exploring Judaism 7:00 pm Cantors Concert	4 22 Kislev Candles, 4:11 pm 8:00 am Daf HaShavua 11:00 am Baby Brigade 4:00 pm Food Pantry 5:00 pm YFE svce & dinner 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30 pm Day School Dinner	5 23 Kislev Va-yeishev 9:00 am TGIS 10:00 am Sanctuary service 10:00 am CS Shabbat Exper 20 mins after svces Minha 12:30 pm Jodi Rudoren
13 1 Tevet Rosh Hodesh 8th Hanukkah candle 	14 2 Tevet Last day of Hanukkah No candles in evening 11:00 am Bk Discuss Grp 6:30 pm Hebrew 2 7:00 pm Shulhan Ivrit	15 3 Tevet 8:00 am Essential Essays 11:30 am Contemp J Thought 6:30 pm Adult Bat Mitzvah	16 4 Tevet 4:00 pm Food Pantry packing 6:00 pm Teen Hanukkah Party 6:30 pm Denominations 6:30 pm Shemot I 6:45 pm Melton 1 7:00 pm J Choices J Children 7:00 pm Exploring Judaism	17 5 Tevet 9:15 am Melton 2 9:15 am Beyond Borders 9:15 am Denominations 12:00 pm Insights from Israel 6:45 pm WN Cooking 7:00 pm Exploring Judaism 7:30 pm YCG Latke/Vodka	18 6 Tevet Candles, 4:12 pm 8:00 am Daf HaShavua 12:00 pm YFE Avoda Arts 4:00 pm Food Pantry 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Dinner Series	19 7 Tevet Va-yiggash 8:45 am Parashat HaShavua 9:15 am Sanctuary service 9:30 am PAS Youth Choir 10:00 am CS Shabbat (3-6) 11:00 am CS Shabbat (K-2) 11:15 am Tot Tefillah 20 mins after svces Minha 4:00 pm Teen Shabbat Study 4:30 pm Hazzan's Tisch
20 8 Tevet	21 9 Tevet 4:00 pm Food Pantry packing 6:30 pm Hebrew 2	22 10 Tevet Fast of the 10th of Tevet	23 11 Tevet 4:00 pm Food Pantry distrib	24 12 Tevet 1:00 pm PAS offices close	25 13 Tevet Candles, 4:16 pm PAS offices closed 9:00 am Morning minyan 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat	26 14 Tevet Va-y'hi 8:45 am Parashat HaShavua 9:15 am Sanctuary service 9:30 am Havurah 20 mins after svces Minha
27 15 Tevet 4:00 pm Food Pantry packing	28 16 Tevet 4:00 pm Food Pantry packing	29 17 Tevet	30 18 Tevet	31 19 Tevet	<i>Weekday minyan: Shabbat</i> Monday-Friday at 7:15 am; Sundays and December 25 at 9:00 am. <i>Ma'ariv</i> Sunday-Thursdays at 5:45 pm. On weekday evenings of Hanukkah, there will be candle lighting in the lobby immediately after minyan. Shabbat mincha 20 minutes after the end of morning services.	



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